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REF: A) STATE 47832  
B) STATE 47493

¶1. (U) Classified by Ambassador Marcelle M. Wahba  
for reasons 1.5 (B) and (D).

¶2. (C) The Ambassador delivered Ref A oral message  
from the Secretary and Ref B NAM demarché on Iraq to  
MFA Minstate Shaykh Hamdan Bin Zayid AL-Nahyan on  
2/22. Noting the upcoming Arab League, Islamic  
Conference and NAM summits, the Ambassador  
underscored the need to keep Iraq focused on full  
compliance with UNSCR 1441. Hamdan assured that the  
UAE would stand firm, but predicted that other

countries, particularly Syria, may seek statements critical of the U.S. Syria's strong-arm tactics at what Hamdan termed as last week's "disastrous" Arab League ministerial in Cairo, had not been well-received in many Arab capitals.

¶3. (C) Hamdan briefed that visiting PLO Secretary General and Arafat Deputy Abu Mazen (Mahmoud Abbas) understood from his recent visit to Moscow that the Russians were "98 percent" resigned to the fact that the USG would move militarily against Iraq. In Abu Mazen's view, the Russians would not prevent the attack (i.e. exercise their UNSC veto option).

¶4. (C) According to Hamdan, Fujairah Ruler Hamad Al-Sharqi will represent the UAE at the NAM summit while Dubai Ruler and UAE Vice President/Prime Minister Shaykh Maktoum Bin Rashid Al-Maktoum will head up the delegation to the proposed March 1 Arab League summit.

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